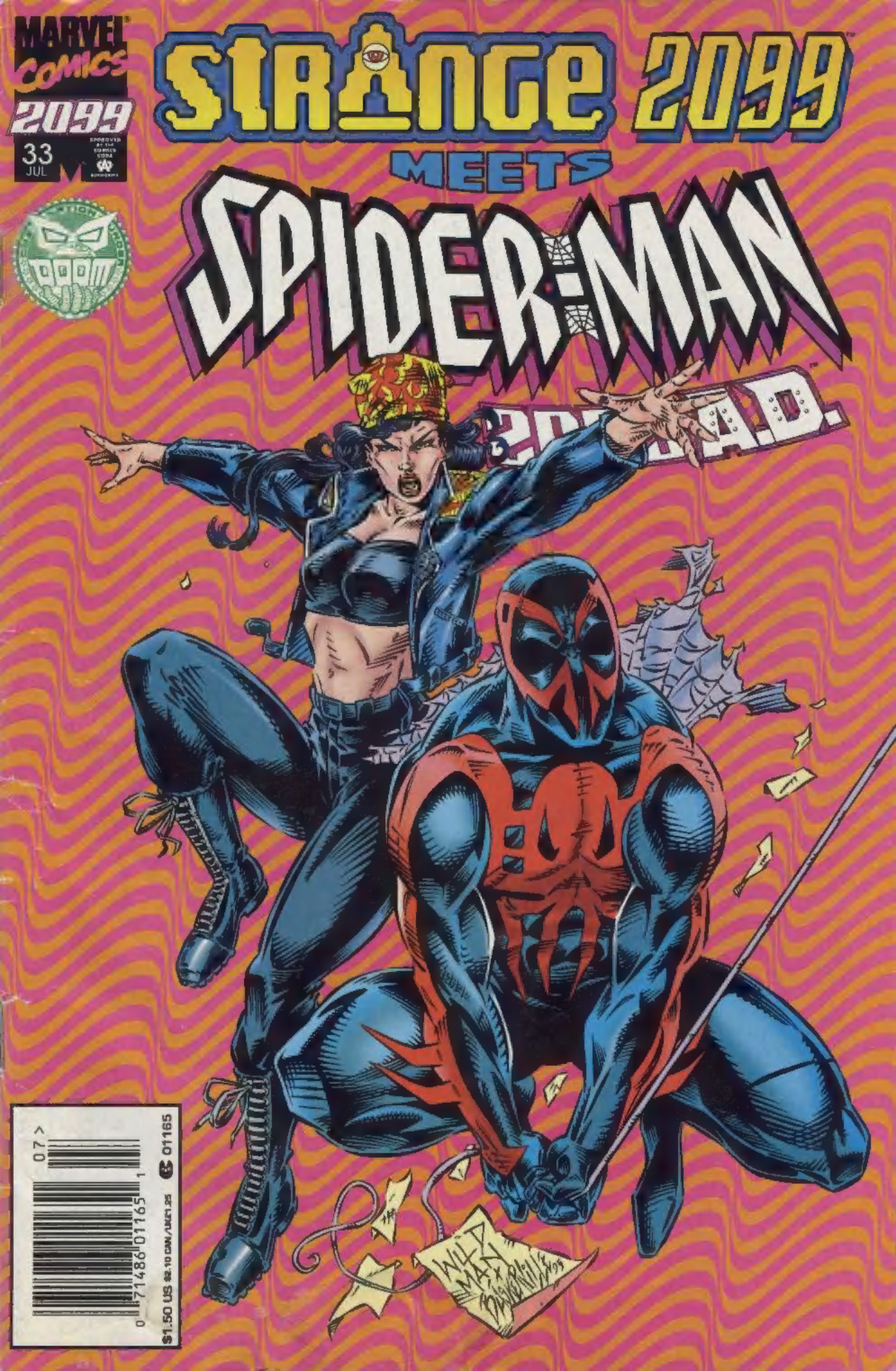
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--I WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!
UHM...S-MAN... HE'S OVER THERE, YOU'RE YELLING AT A PIÑATA.
OH.
SHOCK'N' VISION IS STILL FRITZED.
SO, UH... I WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!
ACK-TUALLY... MAYBE YOU DON'T.
I WANT TO HELP MY SISTER.
A LITTLE LATE, DON'TCHA THINK?

DON'T YOU THINK I KNOW SHE'S DEAD?!
WELL, I WAS KINDA WONDERING.
THIS WAS TO HAVE REVIVED HER! BUT IT DID NOTHING!
MEBBE I'D BETTER HANG ON TO IT.
SSSSSS
NYEEEEKKK!!
STRANGE! YOU OKAY?!
STRANGE?
GIVE IT... TO ME...

IN MEXICO CITY, IT IS THE DAY OF THE DEAD.
BUT NEVER HAS IT BEEN MORE LITERALLY SO. FOR THIS DAY, MORGEI'S SPELL HAS AFFECTED EVERYONE BUT ITS INTENDED SUBJECT. THIS DAY, THE DEAD WALK. AND EVEN WORSE...
...THEY MINGLE.
I STILL FEEL BAD ABOUT LEAVING MIGGY IN THE HOSPITAL...
DON'T WORRY, XINA. IT'S OBVIOUS MIGGY IS IN GOOD HANDS.

STRANGE... WE'RE ON... SAME SIDE... REMEMBER...?
OOOOOF!
I REMEMBER ONLY THAT I SHARE THIS BODY WITH STRANGE...
...AND THAT THE AMULET BURNED US! I WILL HAVE ITS POWER... AND THE HEAD OF MORGEZ!

OUT OF THE WAY!
NOT THIS TIME, MORGEZ.
I'M THE SUPERINTENDENT HERE, AND THIS TIME I HAVE FRIENDS WITH ME!
RRAARRR!
SO DO I.
OOOOFF!!
HAND IT OVER, MORGEZ... SO I CAN KILL YOU!

C'MON, XINA, LIGHTEN UP! IT'S A PARTY! THE WHOLE CITY IS CELEBRATING, EXCEPT FOR YOU!
OH, EXCUSE ME.
AAHHHH!
LOOK, AMIGO, NO OFFENSE... TRY SOME OF MY BREATH SPRAY. BELIEVE ME, IT COULD ONLY--
AW, MAAAN! DIDN'T YOU BRUSH TODAY?
--HEEELLLPP!!
--APART?
HEY! GET OFFA HIM! BELIEVE ME, BUDDY, YOU DON'T WANT TO MESS WITH HIM! HE'LL TAKE YOU--

OHHH DEAR. SO THE MYSTIC JOLT YOU RECEIVED FROM THE AMULET JOSTLED LOOSE YOUR DEMONIC SIDE...
...AND YOU'VE BEEN UNABLE TO BOTTLE IT UP SINCE.
JUST ANOTHER EXAMPLE, MY DISCIPLE, OF THE HELP YOU'LL NEED FROM ME.
MORTAL FOOL?! YOU THINK YOUR PATHETIC LITTLE THREADS CAN HOLD ME?
I'M NOT LOOKING FOR A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT. I JUST NEED TO KEEP YOU ANCHORED LONG ENOUGH...

...SO I CAN SEND YOUR JAW NORTH OF THE BORDER!
NOW WHAT? WHAT WAS THAT LIGHT?
IT WAS...
IT'S ALL RIGHT, I'M OKAY NOW...
OH, NOW YOU'RE OKAY! YOU WANT TO TELL ME WHAT JUST HAPPENED?
NOT REALLY. LOOK, WHY DON'T YOU JUST STICK IN THE "REPRESSED HOSTILITY" JOKE OF YOUR CHOICE, AND WE'LL MOVE ON.
ANY IDEA WHERE MORGEZ GOT TO?
NOT SURE. MY VISION'S PRETTY CLOSE TO NORMAL, BUT I'M...
OH NO.

"BAD NEWS, STRANGE. MORGEI'S WAKE-THE-DEAD SPELL?
"WELL IT LOOKS LIKE THE ALARM WENT OFF. LOUD AND CLEAR."
CASEY!! WHERE ARE YOU?!?
O'HARA! DO SOMETHING! O'HARA!!
TOO MANY PEOPLE... STAMPEDING ...NOTHING I CAN DO... CAN'T REACH HER I'M..
...HELPLESS JUST LIKE ALWAYS.
HELPLESS.

YOU'RE THE SORCERER, STRANGE! THROW DOWN SOME SPELL TO CALM EVERYBODY! SMOKE CLOUDS! CARD TRICKS! SOMETHING!
THE ONLY WAY TO SHUT IT DOWN IS TO SHUT DOWN MORGEZ. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF--
OY.
MOR.. MORGEZ'S SISTER.
UH... S... S-MAN...?
I KNOW, SHE'S THE KEY TO THIS.
WE GOT COMMMPANY..
STAY BEHIND ME, S-MAN... WHILE I SHUFFLE LITTLE SIS' HERE BACK TO WHATEVER NETHER-WORLD SPEWED HER--
NO, HOLD IT! I GOT AN IDEA!

I'M SORRY, 'NITA. I DID IT FOR YOU.
YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND.
ME AND ESTY... WE NEVER... I NEVER...
I NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D HAVE THE NERVE TO TAKE ONE OF YOUR PAPA'S GUNS 'NANDO!
YOU DARED ME ESTY. WHEN'D I EVER PASS A DARE, HUH?
DOES IT WORK? IT LOOKS ANCIENT!
OH, HE KEEPS THIS STUFF WORKING PERFECT. OILS IT, TAKES CARE OF IT...
SPENDS MORE TIME WITH HIS GUN COLLECTION THAN HE DOES WITH ME AND 'NITA.
"WHY DIDN'T YOU SEE 'NITA? WHY DIDN'T YOU SEE WHAT WE WERE FOOLING WITH?
"WHY WAS EVERYTHING A GAME TO YOU?"
"WHY WERE YOU SUCH A CHILD?"

BOO!
I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS YOU. YOU STARTLED ME. I SWEAR SO HELP ME I...
I DIDN'T KNOW...
I DIDN'T KNOW... AND IT'S NOT FAIR THAT OTHERS SHOULD LIVE... AND YOU DIDN'T...

O'HARA! SHOCK IT, O'HARA WHERE ARE Y--
ARRRAHH!
OH LORD, WHAT A STUPID WAY TO DIE
YOU!!
IT'S ABOUT SHOCKIN' TIME!!
STAY
PUT.

COME TO ME, MY BEAUTIES... MY CHEATED SOULS...
THE AMULET BROUGHT BACK EVERYONE BUT THE ONE I LOVED.
I UNDERSTAND NOW! HE WAS SACRIFICED...
SO THAT DEATH COULD RULE OVER ALL!
AHHH!
UNHH!!

I SPENT YEARS SEARCHING FOR THE WAY TO UNLOCK THE DOOR OF DEATH! COME THROUGH IT! ALL OF YOU COME--
BROTHER...?
HUHHH?
I'VE NOT TOLD YOU DONE... TO ME...
OH, MADRE...
'NITA, I...I WANTED TO BRING YOU BACK...BUT I...
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE FULLY RESTOR[illegible]...NOT THIS...
I...WANTED TO HELP...TO MAKE UP FOR...FOR KILLING YOU...

You... KILLED me...?
IT WAS AN ACCIDENT! I..
I'm so COLD... so cold here...
Let me go BACK... let ALL of us go... back to the WARMTH... the light... PLEASE...
ALL ...ALL RIGHT, I... I'LL SUH... SEND YOU..
SEND YOU BACK... BUT I WON'T ABANDON YOU AGAIN..
LIKE I PROMISED... I'LL BE WITH YOU... TAKE CARE OF YOU..
ALWAYS - TOGETHERRARRHH!
NO! WAIT! DON'T DO--!

THEY'RE.. THEY'RE MOVING OFF! LIKE THEY FORGOT WHY THEY CAME HERE!
STRANGE MUST'VE PULLED IT OFF!

STRANGE! HERE YOU ARE!
YEAH. HERE I ARE
HE FELL FOR THE VENTRILOQUISM STUNT, LIKE YOU SUGGESTED. A MILD HYPNOTIC PUSH. AND HE WAS CONVINCED THAT SHE WAS TALKING TO HIM.
BUT I JUST WANTED HIM TO STOP ALL THIS.. OR AT LEAST PUT THE AMULET DOWN. NOT..
.. KILL HIMSELF.

YOU DID WHAT YOU HAD TO DO, KID. AND I GUESS ME DID, TOO.
WHAT ABOUT THIS AMULET OF HIS?
YOU MEAN HOW DO WE HANDLE A TALISMAN CAPABLE OF SPITTING IN THE FACE OF PROVIDENCE...
...AND GENERATING DESPAIR AND DESTRUCTION?
GEE. TOUGH CALL.
KRUNCH
YEAH, MY THOUGHTS EXACTLY.
Y'KNOW, I TRIED TO GET AWAY FROM ALL THE WEIRDNESS IN MY LIFE...
BUT AFTER EVERYTHING THAT'S GONE ON THE PAST FEW DAYS, GOING BACK TO THE U.S. WOULD BE A WELCOME RETURN TO NORMALCY.
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THE TRUTH IS THAT MY SON LACKS SOCIAL GRACES...
...GOT INTO A FIGHT WITH O'HARA HERE. IT HAPPENS. BUT WHAT REASON IS THERE TO EXPEL HIM?
HOW ABOUT ATTEMPTED MURDER?

MIGUEL, WHAT ARE YOU REFERRING TO?
THAT TIME IN THE POOL, WHEN I ALMOST DROWNED...
SURE, RIGHT! AND YOU TOLD EVERYBODY IT WAS AN ACCIDENT...
WELL IT WASN'T!
OH, I SEE. HE HAS A TRACK RECORD OF LYING, DOES HE?
YES, I LIED! BUT THAT'S BECAUSE I WAS SCARED OF THAT DERANGED NUTCASE! SCARED HE'D TRY AGAIN IF I RATTED HIM OUT!
WHAT, NOW YOU'RE SAYING I HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT?
OH, DIDN'T I USE ENOUGH ONE SYLLABLE WORDS FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND?

THIS PSYCHO TRIED TO DROWN ME! HELD ME UNDER IN THE POOL!
DID NOT! YOU CAN'T PROVE THAT!
CAN SO! THE SKULL-HEAD RING YOU WORE DENTED MY HEAD!
HA! I WASN'T WEARING ONE!
YOU MEAN YOU WEREN'T WHEN YOU TRIED TO DROWN ME.
RIGHT. WHEN I--
UH.
YOU LITTLE CREEP!!
I BELIEVE WE'VE SEEN ALL WE NEED TO SEE HERE.
WE'LL RENDER OUR DECISION SHORTLY.
TO BE CONTINUED.